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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/591,717	Applicant(s) SASSA, MASAYUKI	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) NOAM REISNER. (3) Don Hill.

(2) Patrick Assouad. (4) ____.

Date of Interview: 11 May 2009.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-4.

Identification of prior art discussed: P.S. Smith (Patent 2,896,503).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed claims 1-4 with Mr. Hill, specifically the nature of the bi-splitting and tri-splitting means of Smith. No agreement was reached.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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